Annual Meeting of Va. Farm Bureau Set For Nov. 27-29

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Glover and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Anderson will represent the Appomattox County Farm Bureau at the annual meeting of the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation. This 54th annual meeting of the Farm Bureau will be held in Roanoke, Nov. 27-29.

Main business of the conference is to decide policy for the Virginia Farm Bureau for 1980. Over 100 resolutions of broad interest concerning state and national issues will be voted on by the delegates.

Energy and inflation are expected to be the major issues according to Marvin Glover, president of the Appomattox Farm Bureau. Resolutions concerning these and other key issues have been submitted by the 86 county Farm Bureaus which make up the Virginia Farm Bureau Federation. These resolutions will be considered by the delegate body.

In addition to the business of policy development Marvin Glover said several prominent figures will address the convention, to be held at the Hotel Roanoke. These special guests include Lieutenant Governor Charles Robb, U. S. Senator John Warner and Country Humorist, Cotton Ivy.

The convention officially opens at 1:30 on Tuesday, November 27, with a vespers service and the roll call of counties. At 2:00 Lieutenant Governor Charles Robb will address the convention.

At 4:00 P.M. a special conference on "Meeting Agriculture's Energy Needs" is scheduled featuring Donald Lerch of Lerch and Company, and Dr. Harold Hughes of Ag Economics at Virginia Tech.

Appomattox County will be prominent in competitions throughout the convention. During Tuesday night's Family Night Dinner, teams of Young Farmers from county Farm Bureaus will compete in the annual discussion meet. Here issues of vital interest to farmers will be debated.

Several Young Farmers will also be in competition for Virginia Farm Bureau's Outstanding Young Farmer.

Miss Mary Frances Dyess will be among contestants for the title of Miss Virginia Farm Bureau. Mrs. Margaret Glover and Miss Laurie Walton will compete in the annual Style Review, featuring garments made by the contestants using only natural fibres.

Names of the children's poster contest and essay contest winners will be announced during the Family Night Dinner. Ruth Glover has submitted a poster and Renee Glover has entered an essay titled, "What I Like Most About Farm Life" for competition.

Virginia Farm Bureau President, Robert Delano, will deliver the President's Annual Address on Wednesday morning, Nov. 28.

The women's luncheon at noon will feature the 1979 Miss Virginia Farm Bureau, Billie Jean Poole as guest speaker.

Wednesday also features a business session for policy discussion followed by an Entertainment Extravaganza to be held at the Roanoke Civic Center. This evening of entertainment will feature Country Humorist, Cotton Ivy, billed as the "New Will Rogers", and Virginia Tech's New Virginians.

On Thursday morning, American Farm Bureau Federation Administrative Secretary, John Datt, is guest speaker. Datt's address will be followed by further policy discussion and the election of officers.

The convention concludes with the annual Awards Banquet on Thursday at 7:00 P.M. Virginia's Junior U. S. Senator, John Warner, is the featured speaker.

Marvin Glover said all county Farm Bureau members in Virginia are invited to attend, although he stressed room reservations and tickets for major events are in short supply.

According to Glover this year's convention is expected to be the largest ever held in Virginia with over 1,000 Farm Bureau leaders participating.

Mrs. Eye's 4-H

Mrs. Eye's 4-H had their meeting. We elected 4-H officers, they are: President, James Cash, Vice Pres. - Jennice Bartelt, Sec. - Teresa Austin, Reporter - Charlene Harvey, Recreation - Anne Hancock, Lisa Harrison, Angela Meggison.

Then Mr. Sweet gave us enrollment cards to fill out.

We also had our October meeting. We selected projects for 4-H. Then Mrs. Shelton showed us some slides of last years 4-H Share-the-Fun.

Charlene Harvey Reporter

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DMV Issues Fewer Titles

The number of Virginia titles issued has decreased 5.4 percent for the first nine months of 1979 compared to the same period in 1978, according to Vern L. Hill, commissioner of the Divison of Motor Vehicles.

The year-to-year comparison reflects a 7.5 percent decrease in new titles issued, a 6.4 percent decrease in used vehicles titled for the first time in Virginia and a 4 percent decrease in used vehicle titles transferred.

In September, DMV titled 26,058 new vehicles, a decrease of 2,296, or 8 percent compared to September 1978. Other month-to-month comparisons with 1978 show increases in new vehicle titles of 4.1 percent in January, 3.4 percent in March and 2.6 percent in April. However, these increases were offset by decreases of 6.2 percent in February, 7.9 percent in May, 16.8 percent in June, 12.7 percent in July and 21.3 percent in August.

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Capitol Comments

By Dan Daniel, Fifth District, Virginia

November 11 is Veterans Day. Last week, the House accepted the Conference Report on a bill providing for a 9.9 percent cost-of-living increase for service personnel disabled in the line of duty. This was a compromise between the 8.3 percent approved earlier by the House, and 11.1 percent which passed the Senate.

The bill also exempts VA home loans from limitations imposed by State constitutions and usury laws, so that veterans who desire to purchase homes in this period of high interest rates will not be restricted by these provisions.

And finally, it requires the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health to request current mailing addresses of persons who have been exposed to health hazards while serving in the Armed Forces. As a matter of principle, I do not favor the Internal Revenue Service providing any information about anybody to another government agency. But under these circumstances, I feel it is a proper thing to do. I am not one of these people who believe all chemicals are deadly, and therefore should be banned. Much of what has added to the improved quality of our lives has come out of the laboratory. Still, we are learning more and more about the long-term effects of some chemical agents, and it is incumbent on the government to insure that those who were called by that government to serve not suffer needlessly as a consequence.

Memory plays strange tricks on you. The increase in compensation provided by this bill is by no means equal to the current inflation rate. Nor was the most recent bill before this. Yet consider this: Since 1917, the cumulative increase in the Consumer Price Index for the 100 percent service connected disabled veteran drawing benefits has increased approximately 430 percent. The increase in compensation during that same period is around 911 percent.

Of course, these figures can be looked at two ways. One assumption would be - and it is a faulty one, in my judgment - that the disabled veteran is being over-compensated, relative to real-life conditions. A second, and more realistic, assumption is that the disabled veteran, especially one from the First World War, was for many years under-compensated We have only in recent years recognized this and attempted to rectify it.

I have to say it bothers me, in listening to the debate on compensation for veterans, to hear it said we are going to "do something" for the veterans. The implication is that the funds which are provided to this special class of people is some kind of gift, that they are getting a free ride at the expense of the non-veteran population.

That is hogwash.

The veterans of this nation who served in our wars, and especially those who have been wounded or injured in service, have earned every penny accorded them.

Events of the recent past tend to crowd out earlier memories, and few of the headlines of the past have centered on the contributions of the men and women who have earned the title of veteran. But the fact remains they were and are a breed apart. Over the years, when the call has gone out for Americans to defend their nation, there have always been those who for one reason or another stayed home. Sometimes it was simply the luck of the draw; their numbers did not come up in the draft. Sometimes it was physical limitations or family obligations which stood in the way of military service. And sometimes, especially in the Vietnam era, there were those who manipulated the system and stayed home to preach revolution, while others stepped forward to practice responsibility.

To those who ask why we should continue to pay benefits to America's war veterans, I have a counter question: How much is your freedom worth?

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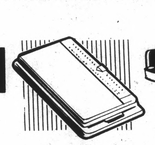

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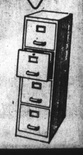

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Winner In Poster Contest

Terrell Morgan won second place in the poster contest at the 3rd Annual Leadership Conference of the Campbell-Appomattox FHA-HERO Federation. The theme was "DECISIONS THAT COUNT". Terrell's poster caption was "Stick Your Neck Out To A Better Future." Terrell is a senior at Appomattox County High School and this is her second year in Home Economics Related Occupations (HERO) Club. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Morgan of Appomattox.

Wood Purchase And Use

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NOTE: Top efficiency will be gained when the best wood types (listed above) are used, the wood is allowed to season well (at least 6 months), how small it is split, and how tightly it can be packed into the firebox.

Definitions

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2. **Creosote** - black, tar-like substance found on the inside of stove pipes, and chimneys. **Danger** - creosote build-up causes fires.
3. **Green Wood** - freshly cut and having highest moisture content. Lacks radial cracks and gives a low-pitch thud rather than a slap crack when struck together.
4. **Seasoned Wood** - has cracks radiating outward from the center toward the bark.

PAMPLIN

Mrs. Walter J. Payne is a patient in Southside Hospital.

Mrs. Robert Johnson of Richmond spent last week-end with Mrs. Alvin Price.

Mrs. Rixey Southall returned home last Tuesday from Lynchburg after a visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Horton Miller Southall.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Southern of Norfolk spent several days last week with her sister Mrs. C. V. Wingfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Slayton of Farmville spent last Sunday with his sister, Mrs. C. W. C. Slayton.

Miss Donna Smith of Richmond was here on vacation with her mother, Mrs. Earl J. Smith.

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On Sunday, Nov. 11th at 11:30 a.m. regular preaching service, Rev. C. L. Elliott pastor in charge. The United Choir will render the music. We'll be glad to welcome our guests back from vacation.

The 3rd Sunday, Nov. 18th at 6 p.m., the Scruggs Family Singers will celebrate their 4th Anniversary. Please come and enjoy some of your favorite group singing their special songs.

SINGSPIRATION AT PROVIDENCE

A Singspiration will be held at Providence Baptist Church in Red House on Saturday night, November 10th, at 7:30 p.m. featuring The Singing Christians and The Genesis Six from Evergreen, plus other groups.

Everyone is invited to attend and enjoy the good Gospel Music.

Parent Volunteer Program Begins At AES

On Tuesday, October 30, the first parent volunteer meeting of this year was held at Appomattox Elementary School. Twelve volunteers met with the principal, Mr. Quesenberry and the assistant principal, Mrs. Waddell. During this meeting, the volunteers were introduced to the program plans. They were asked when they could assist and in what area. Further training will be done on an individual basis as the program progresses.

Parents can be very valuable in the school program. The AES volunteers will be involved in teacher-directed instructional activities, clerical work, library assistance, sponsoring school clubs, and assisting with field trip supervision. These contributions to the AES program will enrich the quality of education provided to the students.

If you are interested in becoming a part of this program, please call the school (352-7463). You do not have to be a parent at AES to volunteer.

Young Hearts Club Held Meeting

The Young Hearts Club met on October 25th at the Memorial United Methodist Church with 35 members and one visitor present.

The meeting was opened by the president Helen Gunter and the devotional was given by Mrs. Cunningham. The usual business was conducted and a motion made to give $25.00 to the Appomattox Rescue Squad and $25.00 to the Appomattox Firemen. This was passed.

The November meeting will be at Liberty Church on November 29th. Plans were made to go to Lynchburg on December 13th for a luncheon.

Christine Ranson entertained with several guessing games. After singing several hymns, the group adjourned for lunch and a Fellowship Hour which was enjoyed by all.

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